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Humpty Dumpty Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH

The ever popular circus theme continues as we reach No. 243 in the numerical classification and our choice of the Humpty Dumpty Bank. As a subject matter the circus theme offers a varied and appealing group of performers, both people and animals. Insofar as mechanical banks are concerned, clowns would seem to be in the majority and dominate the circus group. And what could be more appropriate than a clown from a child's viewpoint in a toy animated savings device. The main manufacturers of mechanical banks such as J. & E. Stevens, Shepard Hardware Company, Hubley Manufacturing Company all made circus type mechanical banks and two better known English manufacturers, John Harper & Company, Ltd. and Chamberlain and Hill, Ltd. did the same. This was a wise choice, particularly so with Stevens, Shepard, and Hubley since several of their clown-circus banks enjoyed wide popularity over a number of years in their period.

The Humpty Dumpty is an exceptionally well made representation of a clown and a member of the bust group as well as the circus group. It was made by the Shepard Hardware Company of Buffalo, N.Y., and well represents their extra care in their fine paint work. There's no question but that Shepard excelled in the painting of their mechanicals. Particularly so with detail of eyes on the various figures of their banks. Generally speaking, Shepard used a rather heavy coat of paint on the overall respective bank. This was good, but what is disadvantageous about it is the fact that with age the paint tends to chip rather readily, at least as compared to some of the Stevens banks with lighter coats of paint. There is a disadvantage here also, however, since light coats of paint, while they did not readily chip with age, did tend to wear off somewhat with any degree of handling.

The Humpty Dumpty was patented under a regular patent March 14, 1882, by C. G. Shepard and Peter Adams, Jr. of Buffalo, with Adams as assignor to Walter J. Shepard.



This patent actually pictures the Jolly Nigger Bank in the various drawings numbered 1 through 7. The Humpty Dumpty operates the same and has the same mechanism as the Jolly Nigger. Shepard and Adams were then issued a design patent June 17, 1884, covering the configuration of the bank. The design patent drawing is practically identical to the bank as manufactured. Also, and this is unusual, the bank was patented in Canada and registered in England. The individuals involved certainly wanted to be sure no one else would copy their bank. Most certainly in appearance Humpty Dumpty stands alone as made by Shepard with no other bank like it. True there is the rare English Clown Bank bust, but it looks nothing like Humpty Dumpty,

although it does operate the same, and was made years after the patents covering Humpty Dumpty ran out.

The bank shown is in rather fine condition, all original with no repairs. While there are some chips in the paint, they are rather minimal for a Humpty Dumpty Bank. Most examples of this bank are considerably more chipped than the one pictured. It's extremely difficult to find a fine example of the Humpty Dumpty. It is a very colorful bank most attractively painted. The peaked hat is bright red as are the eyebrows, lips and markings on his face. His face is white, grey eyes with black pupils, and a red tongue. His collar is a white tinted blue with decorations in brick red, yellow and blue. The right half of his jacket is bright red dec-

Old Mechanical Banks

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orated in yellow, blue, white and brick red. The left half of the jacket is blue decorated in bright red, yellow, white and brick red. The extended right hand is cream color. The name 'Humpty Dumpty Bank' is in raised letters in a half circle on the back. Speaking of the name it would be interesting to know just why Shepard or whoever named the bank Humpty Dumpty. This has always puzzled the writer but so far he has not come up with any logical explanation.

The bank has a great base plate with all patent information thereon in raised letters. The Canadian patent date, by the way, is March 27, 1883.

The bank operates like most of the bust type. A coin is placed in his extended right hand, depressing the lever in the back left shoulder causes the hand to lift to his mouth and the coin goes in as the tongue recedes. At the same time his eyes roll upward. Parts return to position as pictured when the lever is released.

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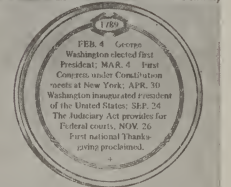
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—B.B., Massachusetts

Answer:

There is not much I can tell you about your medal. It is not gold, is of French origin, and seems to be a religious medal of some kind. Perhaps there would have been more information if a pencil rubbing of the reverse side had been sent.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I have one question about mounting currency in a display with a background.

Can I use two sheets of plexiglass and colored paper cut out to show the reverse of the notes without any problem from chemicals in the colored paper background?

—C.A.K., North Dakota

Answer:

Yes, you can use two sheets of plexiglas and they will not hurt the notes, as to the paper, I cannot say. Some colored paper, if exposed to dampness, might bleed their color on to the notes. It might be better to place the colored paper outside the plexiglas holders in order to be certain. Or place a piece of acetate between the colored paper and the notes so that they do not touch.

—C.F., Florida

Question:

Would appreciate any information concerning these coins. My main interest is about Bryan's Money. Are they common? Do they have value? Mine is in very good condition.

—B.B., Missouri

Answer:

There are quite a few varieties of Bryan money. Your big one is worth around 15 dollars. The 1910 nickel, in good condition, is worth around 25 cents. The Hong Kong dollar of 1960, 30 cents; 2 Annas of India, 10 cents.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Enclosed you'll find a tracing of a medal from some foreign country.

I consider this to be in excellent condition and believe it to be solid silver.

Could you tell me what it is and its value?
—Mrs. L.H., Illinois

Answer:

This is a medal issued by Switzerland to their soldiers and their families, honoring them during World War I.

Its value would be insignificant.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I have a 2½ gold coin, 1902 — looks uncirculated to me. Extra gob of gold starting at the "y" in liberty and runs over cheek almost to nose.

I have another 2½ gold coin, 1905, which looks uncirculated also. The shield is badly struck and extra metal blurs out the lower left wing.

Have been told around these parts that the imperfections render the coin a low value. What do you think?

Have a gold dollar with a hole in it. Have these gone up in price?

—C.W., California

Answer:

That 2½ dollar, 1902, must have been used as a pin to have this kind of a solder mark. As to the 1905, these were never badly struck and if it appears worn it is from the removal of something. It might have been a stickpin, cuff link or something else in the jewelry line.

You were informed correctly, collectors like their coins in as perfect condition as possible. Mutilated pieces which yours are, never bring the high price of choice coins. A \$2.50 gold piece is approximately ¼ of an ounce and this should give you an idea of the coin's value if mutilated. They might sell for a little over; this to be used in jewelry. Gold dollars with a hole, retail for around 20 dollars.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I am enclosing a copy of two German Mark notes that I have. The copies are of front and back.

These notes are on good quality paper and in excellent condition.

Please advise if these have any value today.

I enjoy your column and appreciate your help for all of us not familiar with the many types of money.

—H.L., Kentucky

Answer:

You have one of many varieties of German inflation currency that circulated after World War I. This money finally went down to no value and a new revalued mark appeared. It is no longer redeemable and currently retail to collectors at around 25 cents per note.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Could you tell me if this bill is worth more than its value. It is all in one piece with the corner folding and making it like a regular bill.

—M.R.F., Missouri

Answer:

The corner folding on your 10 dollar bill should make it worth about 16 dollars. If in extremely fine, crisp and unfolded condition except for the error, it should be worth around 20 dollars.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Does extra metal and other mint errors increase or decrease the value of gold coins. Coins in extra fine to uncirculated condition.

I notice all "dope" on mint errors seem to refer to cents and small denomination coins.
—C.W., California

Answer:

I have never heard of any gold coins being overweight. By any chance do you mean extra metal such as pieces of jewelry, etc.? While there are a few mint errors in gold coins, they are very unusual. Most errors occur in the smaller denominations. I would say that an unusual mint error on a gold coin such as double strike or way off center would be very rare.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Please identify my coin rubbings.
—G.E.G., Pennsylvania

Answer:

Your No. 1 coin is a half crown of William IV of England. It seems to be in very good condition and as such valued at around \$7.50.

No. 2 is a 4 real coin of Charles III of Spain. As the reverse is not shown I cannot tell you from what mint the coin originated. There are a great many mints in both Spain and her colonies. This is quite important. Ordinarily, in good condition this coin has a minimum value of \$2.50.

No. 3 a mint medal, most likely bronze, valued at around one dollar.

No. 4 a recent token of little value, of gilt.

No. 5 George III England half penny, very bad condition, as such worth around 25 cents.
—C.F., Florida

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with the operating crank on the left side of the bank as well as the right. There are also minor variations on the inside construction and mechanism of each respective bank. Basically, of course, they all have similar action and operation.

The Organ Bank-Type I conforms to the patent drawings in that the drawings show a cat and dog. The patent was issued to Louis Kyser and Alfred C. Rex of Philadelphia, Pa., June 13, 1882, and made by their company, Kyser & Rex, in the same city. This patent of 1882 was an improvement of their patent granted May 31, 1881 which covered just the monkey without the other moving fig-

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To operate, the crank is turned so that the tray is in the raised position as shown in the photo. A coin is placed thereon. In turning the crank clockwise the monkey lowers his right arm causing the coin to slide from the tray into the raised slot section. As this occurs he tips his hat with his left hand and arm. Concurrently the cat and dog revolve counter clockwise. As all this action continues by turning the crank, bells inside the bank are caused to ring with a rather loud but pleasant sound. A very nice action bank to see and hear in operation.

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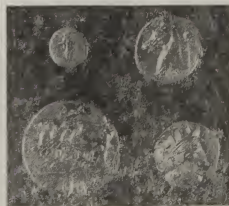
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—L.F., Florida

Answer:

Your gold coins are worth as follows:

1916, Cuba, gold, 2 peso, \$25.

1959, Mexican, 20 peso, \$30.

1968, Columbia 100 pesos, is a controversial coin questionable as to acceptance that it is a coin. It may be classified as a medal and must be held with legal authority.

Cuba, 1953, 25 centavos, \$1; 10 centavos, 95c; 1 centavo, 5c; 5 centavos (questionable date) 10c.

Spain, 1 peseta, 10c; Canada, 25c, 25 cents.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Enclosed is a paper with two rubbings of two coins, both of which I cannot identify. On the obverse of the paper is a drawing of a one-mark bill from 1944 German War Currency. I do not find this listed anywhere and I wonder if you could tell me the worth.
—J.D.E., Florida

Answer:

The Illinois Tax Token is valued at 5 cents. The other coin is a German two pfennig coin valued at 10 cents.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Recently among the pages of an old book I purchased a bill (see photo). I cannot find any information, value, etc. Would be most appreciative if you can give me this information.
—L.D.B., Illinois

Answer:

Your note is a Colonial Currency note of the State of New York, August 13, 1776. Its condition seems to be very good and as such it should be worth around \$15.00.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Can you give me any information on enclosed rubbing?
—Mrs. M.A., New York

Answer:

You have one of the many Masonic pennies issued by various lodges throughout the United States. Yours is from the Ozark Ark lodge of 1871. These currently retail for around \$1.25 each in quantities but yours is a bit unusual and should be worth around \$5.00.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I enclose a rubbing of coin. The face looks like an Indian head penny, date 1867. It has 13 stars, but not United States of America. Please identify and state value of same. Thank you.
—Mrs. D.S., Maryland

Answer:

The coin you have is one of many varieties of Civil War tokens which circulated during the shortage of small change during and after the Civil War. Its value is \$1.25.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

Here are some rubbings I would like to have some information on. The Mexican coin is of silver, I believe, the token's of heavy metal. Could you tell me what they are and the value?
—Mrs. G.S., Ohio

Answer:

The first coin you have is a 8 Real

coin of Mexico Guanemato mint, fine condition, valued at \$5.

The other two items are medals of tokens which would retail for around 50c to \$1 each.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I am enclosing pictures of two bronze medals. I am not able to read wording on the five-pointed star medal, other than, (of the Republic) and am quite curious as I found it in an old piece of furniture.

Mrs. P.S., Arkansas

Answer:

Your illustrations are pretty difficult to read.

The one seems to be a medal, probably bronze, for a military organization of Oklahoma (veterans). The shape of the other, unreadable, also seems to be some military order, ribbons in both instances missing. Such medals usually retail for around \$5 to \$10 each
—C.F., Florida

Question:

For my research, it looks as if this coin might have been a commemorative, issued upon the occasion of Maria Theresa having her eldest son, Joseph, crowned King of Germany in 1765 in Frankfurt. Would this be accurate?

Also, the Carolus might be Carl VI. (Karl) 1711-1740, last male descendant of the Hapsburg line, who died and left only daughters. However, the coins speak of him as Duke of Burgundy (?) so it might be Charles V. However, the bust of Carolus as depicted on the coin, is dressed in the style of the 1700's.

Please give your comments.

—Mrs. L.R., Colorado

Answer:

Your coin is a 2/3 thaler of Charles, Duke of Brunswick Wolfenbuttel (even though the legend on the coin indicates that it is from Brunswick & Luneberg). The denomination of the coin is of the then new convention standards adopted in 1763, an attempt to systemize the German coinages.

Karl was a descendant of the Brunswick-Bevern Dukes, and took the reigns when he was 22 years old. His reign was long and his desires to ape the glories of Versailles. This resulted in bankruptcy, devastation and ruin to his land. In 1773 his son took over the reign as regent to improve the mess.
—C.F., Florida

Question:

I am enclosing a pencil rubbing of a two dollar, silver, Wells Fargo & Express Co. bar. It is dated 1860, San Francisco, Calif., with an eagle on the back. It measures approximately 1-7/16 by 1 1/2 inches.

Can you give me any information about this piece?

—D.L.S., Kentucky

Answer:

The authenticity of your Wells Fargo silver bar is questionable. The first thing to do is to ratify that it is genuinely a silver bar, not of some base metal or plated. I had another

of these offered to me around six months or so ago and this leads me to question its authenticity. It is not listed as a California piece.

—C.F., Florida

Question:

1. Four Indian head pennies, good condition, one dated 1903, one dated 1906, two dated 1905.

2. Silver dollar, very good condition, dated 1888, on one side it has a portrait of a lady, 13 small stars with words E. Pluribus Unum. On the other side it has an eagle, United States of America, One Dollar, In God We Trust. By the eagle's feet two arrows, a plant stem surrounded by leaves (see sketch). There is a letter M at the end of her flowing hair.

3. A \$5 gold piece, very good condition. On one side it has a portrait of lady, 13 stars on her head, name Liberty, on other side it has eagle, United States of America, Five D in center of eagle there is a shield. No other marks. —L.A., Missouri

-L.A., Missouri

Answer:

Your Indian cents, in good condition, retails for between 25c and 50c each today.

The silver dollar of 1888, in circulated condition, retails for around \$3.50 to \$4.

You did not give the date of the five dollar gold piece, however, these, in very fine condition, retail for around \$50 common dates. —C.F., Florida

—C.F., Florida

Question

We read your *Coin Quiz* each month with great interest. It is impossible to get good rubbings from the following coins, but would like information concerning them and their approximate value.

The coins are made of silver and are fractional parts of the old Spanish Milled dollar.

Very good condition:
Phillip V, 2nd Reign - ½ real, 1743
Phillip V, Mexico City Mint - 2
real, 1746.

Ferdinand VI - 1 real, 1750.

Ferdinand VI - 1 real, 1755.

Charles III - 1 real, 1763.

Good to poor condition:

Phillip IV - 1 real, 1621-1625.
Charles II - 1 real, 1516

Charles & Joanna - 1 real, 1516
1526

Charles & Joanna - 2 real. 1516

Charles & Joanna - 2 Feb, 1838
1536.

Philip IV - ½ real, 1621-1665.

Charles III - 1 real, 1764.

$\frac{1}{2}$ real, 1808.

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Answer: Condition determines the value of your Spanish coins struck in the Mexico City mint. In very good condition the 1743 piece is worth \$5; 1746, real, \$20; 1750-55-63 1 real, \$5 to \$7.50 each. In good to poor condition: Philip IV real, \$5; Charles & Joanna, 1 real, \$7.50, 2 real, \$10; Philip IV ½ real, \$5; Charles III, 1 real, \$3; Ferdinand VII, ½ real, \$3.50.

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A mechanical bank that has direct collector appeal from several angles is our choice as No. 245 in the numerical classification. The bank is the Lion And Two Monkeys, and naturally it has definite interest to those collectors who lean toward the animal-type mechanicals. Then, specifically, there are certain collectors with a very definite interest in monkeys and the representations thereof. As a matter of fact, quite a nice group of interesting mechanical banks have monkeys as their subject matter.

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MAJOR H. H. ANNAND

We here at HOBBIES are saddened to learn of the death of one of our stalwart overseas supporters, Major H. H. (Gerry) Annand, who died suddenly Sunday, December 15, at his home, "Whitewell," in Hillingdon, Middlesex, England.

Major Annand was an accomplished musician and one of the leading English collectors of old phonograph records, especially cylinders and Edison Diamond Discs. He edited "The Hillandale News," published by the City of London Phonograph and Gramophone Society, of which he was life president. His age is believed to have been about 80.

In 1934 the major visited the United States and was a guest of a number of record collectors, including Alex Nugent, Jr., of Richmond, Va., and our "Favorite Pioneer Recording Artists" writer, Jim Walsh, of Vinton, Va. The lively little man, who walked bent almost double, was immediately popular with the Americans whom he had known only by correspondence, and after his return to England an account of his visit appeared in HOBBIES from September through December, 1964. It was called "Hands Across the Sea" and was written by Jim Walsh.

Major Annand was married, but had no children, and he told Mr. Walsh that he lived alone, for his wife had been in a mental institution for many years. News of his death came from his neighbor and friend, Ms. Sheila Davis, who wrote:

"Gerry's passing was quite a shock to us, and I am sure it will be to you, as it was so sudden. . . . Although his life had many heartaches and was one of living in solitude, I always felt that he lived life to the full. There was always music to be heard coming from his beloved 'Whitewell,' whether from his great passion, the phonograph, or his piano. . . . Walking through his front door was like going back through time to a place packed with wonderment. . . . Gerry was a character who will be missed, but never forgotten."

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Bing? I doubt it," cautions the editor. The editorial states that it appeared to that writer that Bing was singing from the studio in his Toluca Lake home and that Georgie Stoll's orchestra was in the regular studio, downtown. And, continues the editorial of that January, 1936 RADIO MIRROR: "But Bing, do you know this? You're on the spot. I'll tell you why. December 5th, you take the place of the man who really gave you your start. You're going to work for the makers of the cheese that Paul Whiteman has glorified for so long so successfully. And that's why you're on the spot."

I'll skip down, now, to the fourth paragraph from the end of the editorial:

"... So when you start your first show in December, remember that it takes more than a good voice to make it a success. It takes what your shows have had — the Crosby personality every minute."

"You'll have the orchestra you want to go with that voice and that personality... It's a good one. I know that. I've danced to it and I've heard it on the air. Jimmy Dorsey is an old friend of yours, too, isn't he?" Then we skip a paragraph and go to the final line.

"I guess that's all, Bing, and here's hoping."

"From the editor."
Just under the heading: "LISTEN, BING" is the summary which states: "For Bing Crosby's program, starting December 5, sponsored by Kraft-Emmentaler Cheese, see page 54 — 10 o'clock column. Paul Whiteman will switch to the Woodbury spot early in January."

I checked page 54 of that publication and found:

10:00 p.m. BING CROSBY, THURSDAY. Hour Basic Red plus all supplementary plus WLW, KTAR minus WLO, WSAI, WAPI, WFAA.

Then I checked the "Basic Red" column to find:

WEAF, WBBN, WCAE, WCSH, WDAF, WEEI, WFBZ, WGY, WHIO, WHO, WJAR, WMAQ, WOW, WRC, WSAI, WTAG, WTAM, WTCI, WWJ, KSD, KYW.

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Coast: KDYL, KFII, KGO, KGW, KHQ, KOA, KMO, KPO.

Canadian: CFCE, CROCT.

Since the preparation of these manuscripts is spread over several days, it affords me the "luxury" of researching in areas other than the many volumes in my home library.

For example... in checking the newstand today, I discovered the December 16th issue of "PEOPLE Weekly"... published by Time, Inc., 541 N. Fairbanks Court, Chicago, Ill. 60611. The cover story: Kathy & Bing Crosby. Among items of interest in the story: Bing's recording of "White

Christmas" has sold more than 30-million copies; he has sold more than 400-million records, altogether; daughter Mary Frances is 15...

The TV Christmas Special, which is the focus of the PEOPLE article, is the 38th annual Crosby broadcast spanning 38 seasons and two Crosby families. (The four older sons, ages 36 to 41, whose mother was Dixie Lee Crosby, join Bing and Kathryn's three young ones, ages 13 to 16.)

Moving along... courtesy Roger Paulson and his tape 1568/69/70, which when de-coded, figures to be my tape 598:

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ORCH & BING: "Just One More Chance."

I should like to stop tape here for some commentary.

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"There have been many versions of the snafu which interfered with my first broadcast. One version had me not showing up for it because I was suffering from a hang-over. A second had me taking a powder because of stage fright. A third said I failed to put in an appearance because of laryngitis."

"This is the way it was: while waiting for the negotiations to be completed between my lawyer and Abe Frank, I'd fallen into the habit of dropping in at four or five night-clubs a night. Like a zany, I'd been singing in each of them for the kicks, instead of saving my voice for my radio debut, and my pipes had taken a terrible lacing. To put a complete K.O. on my throat, just before the show I rehearsed in an air-conditioned room. It was one of the first air-conditioned rooms I'd ever been in, and, singing in cold air, I tightened up so that when I was ready to go on, I couldn't push any noise out. It wasn't that I was nervous or had any other kind of shakes, including alcoholic ones."

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Let's return to the playing of the

(Continued on page 58)

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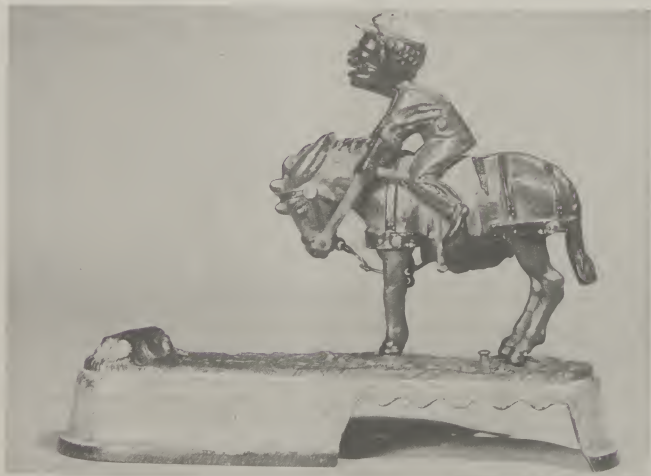
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I Always Did 'Spise A Mule (Jockey)

By F. H. GRIFFITH



A mechanical bank having the same basic operation as that of a patented mechanical toy is our choice as No. 246 in the numerical classification. This is the I Always Did 'Spise A Mule, a particularly fine action bank covered by the same patent as that of the toy I Always Did 'Spise A Mule, Bowen's Series #2. While protected by the same patent, there should be no confusion between these two toys, one is distinctly a mechanical bank, and the other a mechanical toy with no provision for the use of a coin.

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One of the outstanding designers of mechanical banks, James H. Bowen of Philadelphia, Pa., patented the toy and bank April 22, 1879. Bowen is responsible for some very clever action banks. The great Girl Skipping Rope, both action packed Calamity and Darktown Battery, Monkey & Coconut, Bull Dog Bank, the original shooting bank Creedmoor, and others. He had a lot to do with the popularity of mechanical banks by his ingenious use of a coin in the operations of his various banks, and the Always Did 'Spise A Mule is no exception. As with all Bowen banks that we know of, it was made by the J. & E. Stevens Company of Cromwell, Conn.

To operate the bank, a coin is placed in the open mouth of the figure astride the mule. The coin is held in place by means of a clamping lug which is connected to the visor of the cap. The operating lever just in front of the rear legs of the mule is then depressed. The mule kicks upward and forward, pivoting on the stationary front legs, throwing the figure forward from the mule's back. The visor of the cap hits the log on the base, releasing the coin from the mouth of the figure into the coin slot in the base. To replace the figure on the back of the mule, the hind legs of the mule are pressed down into

place and the figure automatically returns to position astride the mule. It bears mention that the spring operated visor of the cap also serves to absorb the shock and impact when the figure falls forward from the mule and hits the log.

The bank shown is in exceptionally fine, all original condition in all respects, including the paint. We must now point out that various schemes of coloring were originally used to decorate the bank. The sides of the base, for example, were done in brown during one period, then in red, and then in yellow. So original examples exist with different colorings, not only on the base sides, but also on the figure and the mule, the mule in a light tan and a dark brown. We'll describe the coloring on one of the earlier examples of the bank. The base sides are dark brown with striping top and bottom in red and yellow. The base top is green with white lettering of the name I Always Did 'Spise A Mule. The log is brown with yellow ends. The mule is dark brown with black hooves, tail, mane, and harness. A blue blanket is over his back and there are various decorations on the harness straps in red and yellow. The figure wears a red, white and blue cap. He has a red shirt, white kerchief, and blue trou-

sers. His bare feet, hands, arms, and face are black. His eyes are white with black pupils and his lips are red. The underside of the bank is dark brown, as is the perforated base plate with a conventional round Stevens trap. The date of April 22, 1879 is inscribed in the perforated base.

The companion mechanical toy, they make a nice pair, is very much like the bank with several exceptions. The figure astride the mule, for example, has a more proportionate size head, he does not wear a cap, and, of course, there is no provision for a coin in his mouth. The base of the toy is not raised, but rather sits flat on four lugs. These lugs originally had rubber thereon so it would not scratch or mar furniture or whatever when played with. The painting of the toy in the writer's collection is exactly the same as that of the bank described. The same patent date is inscribed in the base. On top of the base between the mule's legs appears "BOWEN'S SER'S NO: 2." This is in raised letters in circular form.

The fact of a toy and a bank being made under the same patent is highly unusual and quite interesting, but still characteristic of Bowen. He had a way of utilizing a patent so it covered more than one item. A further example of this is his patent on the Two Frogs, which also covered the Reclining Chinaman. Two banks, completely unlike in appearance, but having similar operating mechanisms.

TOYS

An encyclopedia defines toys as: "Playthings for young children, sometimes developed and designed for instruction as well." It was the ancient tombs of Egypt however, that gave us some idea of how long toys have been a part of civilization. Jointed dolls, puppets, balls, crocodiles with movable jaws, etc., have been discovered and scientifically dated to early B.C. In Rome, as early as 378, there is evidence of miniature vases, bows and arrows, hoops, tops and other miscellaneous toys. A writer of the early Renaissance period (1587) mentions wooden hobby horses, toy drums, and clay marbles.

The first patented toy was invented by an Englishman, John Wells in 1672. This patent was to protect the design of Wells' "Artificial Horse." Over a century later in 1788, the first marble making machine was patented by a man named Holman.

The kaleidoscope, still very popular today, made its first appearance in 1817, thanks to the inventor Sir David Brewster.

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FRANCIS V. MARTIN

Francis V. Martin, Lebanon, Mo., an avid collector and dealer, and a friend of HOBBIES Staff, its readers and advertisers for 30 years, passed away in late summer, 1974, but the Magazine has only recently learned of his passing.

Mr. Martin had a good background in antiques, as he inherited his late mother's love for the past and the artifacts pertaining thereto. Mr. Martin was well known to other collectors and dealers throughout the country.

Fortunately, his wife, Monta B. Martin, assisted her husband in his collecting and in his shop, and she plans to carry on the business.

VIOLET MacFALLS

Violet MacFalls, widow of the late George MacFalls, and an advertiser in HOBBIES Magazine for about 35 years, passed away at her home in Marion, Ia., on January 28.

Before going into mail order selling of antiques exclusively, Mrs. MacFalls conducted the Log Cabin Antiques Shop in Cedar Rapids, Ia., where she was long a familiar figure, also as a regular exhibitor, at the Cedar Rapids, Ia., Antique Shows, operated by J. W. Koehn.

In addition to building up a successful mail order business, she had accumulated friends far and wide throughout antique circles in the United States.

To these friends, HOBBIES Magazine is pleased to report that the MacFalls daughters, Mrs. Ione Wright of Marion, Ia., and Mrs. Gladys Hastings of Pekin, Ill., plan to continue the business as Violet MacFalls Antiques.

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At the close of the program, Jack announces he is sorry to cancel his appearance at the State Theatre in Cleveland but that he will appear, on February 28th, at the theatre in Pittsburgh.

Don announces that 'Love in Bloom' is from the production "She Loves Me Not." This is followed by the system cue ("This is the National Broadcasting Company.")

My tape (number 747) rolls on and next we find we are listening to the January 14, 1940 Jack Benny Program. Jell-O is still the sponsor. The orchestra is conducted by Phil Harris. Don Wilson does the first commercial over the music of "Ma, He's Making Eyes at Me." Don Wilson asks us to try the new Jell-O puddings.

This is the second week of Leap Year so you will understand Don's opening remarks: "... Ladies and Gentlemen. We bring you a man who hasn't leaped in years!" "Any man who has to detour when he comes to an ant-hill" is Jack's reply.

Phil Harris kids Jack about his age. Jack speaks of his admiration for "Gladys Zybysko."

Dennis Day sings "Down by the River". Don does the second Jell-O commercial; Jack announces that the Benny glee and dramatic club will present David O. Selsnick's "Intermezzo." Jack says he will do the scenes originally played by Leslie Howard; Mary—who says she thought she might take the Greta Garbo role—will be Edna Best. (I didn't know Miss Garbo appeared in the film. My listing shows Ingrid Bergman) Jack assigns the Bergman part to "Olivia de Bunz." Phil Harris and Dennis are given their assignments; the Orchestra plays "The Rumba Jumps"; Jack plays the violin and brings down the house with laughter. Jack is on tour and wherever he opens his concert, he is met with at least one tomato in the face.

Then "Leslie" Benny plays Carnegie Hall.

And as Jack plays his violin, Don Wilson does his final Jell-O commercial. The orchestra picks up the tempo and Jack announces this was "... the 15th program in the current Jell-O series." (The series started October 8, 1939.)

And the system cue: "This is the National Broadcasting Company."

Finally, on the tape, the broadcast of December 1, 1940 Eddie Anderson (Rochester) is on this program. I do not readily have available the first date of Rochester's addition to the staff, but you will note he was not on the broadcast of January 14, 1940. It may be he joined Jack Benny with the 1940-41 season.

Phil Harris, Dennis Day, Mary Livingston, Rochester, and Don Wilson join Jack on this broadcast.

The plot finds Jack in bed with a bad cold. Mary cooks an omelet for Jack and puts Vapor-rub in it. Jack decides to put the omelet on his chest.

Dennis sings "The Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square" and Jack dozes. He asks Rochester to take his temperature. "What does the thermom-

eter say?" Rochester replies: "Nineteen more shopping days to Christmas."

Don Wilson reads his second commercial. Friend Frank Nelson arrives. He is Jack's doctor. (This is the first time we hear Mr. Nelson in the series.)

Again, after medication, Jack slumbers and dreams he is accosted by a burglar. The burglar is after the loot in Jack's mattress. A gunfight ensues. Jack pulls the trigger. Rochester awakens Jack to tell him it was all a dream. The final commercial is for Raspberry Salad with Bananas.

Now, a few statistics:

The 1935-36 season found the Jack Benny program with a 26.8 Hooper rating; Blue network, Sundays at 7 p.m., Eastern Time.

The following chart might be helpful to historians. It is taken from the Arno Press publication "History Of Broadcasting: Radio To Television" (1971):

Season	Sponsor	Net.	Time	Rating
'36-37	Jello	NBC	7pm	28.6
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'39-40	Jello	NBC	7pm	31.4
'40-41	Jello	NBC	7pm	36.2
'41-42	Jello	NBC	7pm	31.0
'42-43	Jello	NBC	7pm	33.9
'43-44	Jello	NBC	7pm	27.9
'44-45	Lucky Strikes	NBC	7pm	24.2
'45-46	"	NBC	7pm	24.1
'46-47	"	NBC	7pm	27.0
'47-48	"	NBC	7pm	26.0
'48-49	"	CBS	7pm	26.4
'49-50	"	CBS	7pm	25.3
'50-51	"	CBS	7pm	19.9
'51-52	"	CBS	7pm	16.2
'52-53	"	CBS	7pm	12.8
'53-54	"	CBS	7pm	8.2
'54-55	"	CBS	7pm	5.8

You will note that the ratings began to plunge as television gained popularity. So, in 1950, Jack Benny began doing TV as well as radio. But while he was up there in the ratings game, Jack Benny owned Sunday nights at seven o'clock (Eastern time); and I should add a note that listings specify "General Foods" as the sponsor for a program or two for the 1940-41 season as well as for the 1943-44 season. And I recall having heard Don Wilson doing Grape Nuts commercials.

About the 1932-33 season for Canada Dry:

Bob Hope in "Have Tux, Will Travel" (Simon and Schuster, New York, 1954) says that in 1933 he was in Atlantic City "helping Jack Benny celebrate a new radio contract he had just landed. Canada Dry had promised to give him \$6,600 a show, so we all had a drink on him."

Now, we start up our cassette recorder which contains a program from NBC-TV. It is the "Today" show and Gene Shalit is speaking:

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SOUND: (Jack playing violin) (then into 'Love in Bloom'.)

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As this is written in late December, 1974, I predict that the first spurge of buying will create a rise to an all time high for gold bullion. Many people will rush in to buy ingots. But in my opinion, this will be followed by a drastic decline in price. The United States Government has threatened to sell quite a bit of its hoard on the open market. Russia, reputedly one of the largest holders of gold today might be happy to dump quantities on the market, probably upsetting American investors. Many others may do likewise.

Gold bullion prices will definitely affect the value of gold coins, and they too may fluctuate more or less in compliance with the gold market.

Here's hoping that buyers will not let themselves run away with overenthusiasm. The ultimate value of gold is going to be determined by the age old system, the law of supply and demand. Where that will be, no one can tell at this time, but remember prior to 1933 gold was worth \$20 per ounce, after the banking holiday it was revalued at \$35 per ounce. This is a far cry from the prices around \$200 per ounce asked as this is written.

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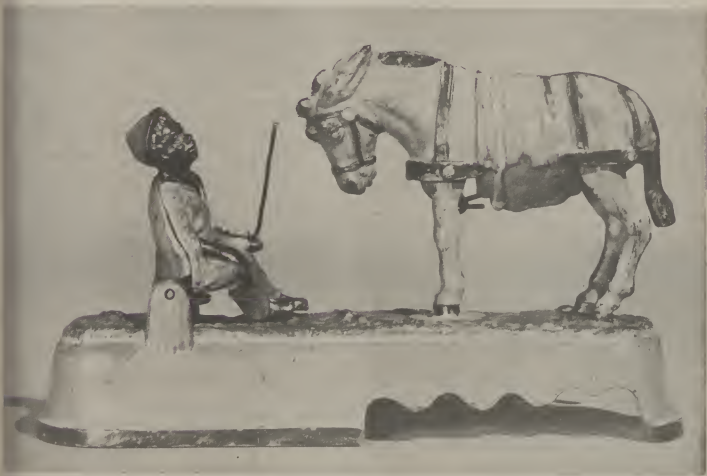
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I Always Did 'Spise A Mule

PART II

By F. H. GRIFFITH



As we reach No. 247 in the numerical classification, the versatile designer of mechanical banks, James H. Bowen, once again comes into the picture with another of his mechanicals, the I Always Did 'Spise A Mule. Does the name sound familiar — it should, who else but Bowen would use the same name for two banks that are somewhat similar, but quite different. For identification purposes, we use the word Jockey in parentheses along with the name to identify the other 'Spise A Mule, since there is a figure astride the mule. The one

with the jockey is the first to utilize the name and was protected by a patent issued April 22, 1879 covering a toy. Both a toy and a mechanical bank were made under the patent.

The I Always Did 'Spise A Mule pictured had a patent all its own as a toy money box, and it was issued to Bowen, April 27, 1897. It is a well detailed patent with five drawings accompanying the text. As with the early version of 1879, this later name-sake was also made by the J. & E. Stevens Company of Cromwell, Conn. It is apparent that the first version was a good seller for a number of years, and Stevens obviously took kindly to the changed and later model of 1897 as some 18 years had elapsed since its initial introduction. The one of 1897 now under discussion must have also sold well over the years as it was still being manufactured by Stevens in the 1920's. All evidence indicates the bank enjoyed wide popularity in its day.

The drawing for the 1879 patent for the toy shows a dog in sitting position by the rear legs of the mule. When the mule kicked, throwing the rider forward, the rear legs kicked the dog over backward. Neither the toy nor the bank were made in this fashion — that is to say, the dog was omitted. The writer feels, however, that this was the beginning of the

idea for the later 1897 'Spise A Mule with the figure of the boy being kicked over backwards. It makes sense that Bowen utilized this part of his original idea of a figure being kicked over as on his 1897 version now under discussion. And, by the way, the 1897 patent drawings conform to the bank as manufactured.

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Fibber: Nope. We were up in Alaska, Throcky. THERE'S a wonderful place! I shot one of the biggest bears.

Giddy: Yes . . . and how did YOU like it, Mrs. McGee?

Molly: Oh, I had a wonderful time, Mr. Gildersleeve.

Fibber: The way I happened to shoot him was just as lucking around the bend to Ketchikan Creek when all of a sudden . . .

Giddy: What time is it?

Fibber: It was early in the morning. Just as the first rays of the Arctic sun were filtering in the ice . . .

Giddy: I mean . . . what time is it now?

Molly: Three-thirty. Mr. Gildersleeve.

Giddy: Oh, dear. Just in the night. I hope you miss me . . . as much as I'm . . . going to miss you . . .

Fibber: But I just couldn't go without coming to say . . . goodbye, to you, Mrs. McGee. And . . . Fibber . . . my little chum . . . (Audience laughter . . . as though Fibber is reacting solemnly).

Giddy: What mean, we ain't going to see you anymore? Giddy?

Giddy: Oh, ho . . . chin up, little pal . . . what's life, you know. After all, we're just ships that pass in the night. I hope you miss me . . . as much as I'm . . . going to miss you . . .

Molly: Well . . . ships that pass in the night had better miss each other. (Audience responds—again, with laughter) (And applause).

Fibber: (Sadly) Giddy, old man . . . I . . . hardly know what to say.

Giddy: Well . . . let's just say this isn't goodbye. It's au revoir!

Fibber: (Choked up) I . . . I can't say that, Giddy.

Giddy: Why not?

Fibber: I can't pronounce it. (Audience laughs). Let's just say goodbye.

Giddy: Oh! Another thing! My lawn-mower!

Molly: What about your lawn-mower!

Giddy: Well . . . turned it in. And I'm going to need it in Summer!

Fibber: Now, wait a minute, Gildersleeve! You now very well that ain't your lawn-mower.

Giddy: It is too. You borrowed it!

Molly: It was mine and YOU borrowed it!

Fibber: That broken-down clover-clipper has changed hands often than the world's wrestling championships. (Audience laughs).

Can either of you PROVE ownership?

Giddy: Yes!

Fibber: How?

Giddy: It's got my initials carved on the underside of the handle.

Molly: Well, if it has . . . then it's yours.

Molly: Gildersleeve, Go get it, McGee's closer.

Fibber: I will not! If he wants it, let 'im go get it himself.

Giddy: All right, will! Where is it?

Fibber: Right in there.

Giddy: Here?

Fibber: Okay . . . by George, I'll . . . Sound: (Crash . . . Crash and Crash . . . as the audience goes into side-splitting laughter. It's McGee's closer).

Giddy: McGee . . . Aren't you ever going to straighten out that closet? (As we hear the tinkling of the little bell that always signalled the last item had fallen from the closet onto the floor).

Orchestra: —Curtain music . . . (Audience applauds).

Fibber: And . . . here, back from their summer vacation . . . no bigger but better than ever . . . your favorites and ours . . . the King's Men singing: "Little Liza Jane!"

The Orchestra and the King's Men "do their thing." The audience gives them a generous "hand" and Fibber returns to the microphone. He tells Molly he feels there must have been a bad storm in Wistful Vista while they were gone . . . two life-boats on the ship in the bottle on the mantle . . . are missing. Then, Wallace Wimple knocks on the door . . . he enters and engages in conversation with Fibber. He tells Fibber he's been trying to persuade his wife to go up to Alaska, without him. He claims he's too busy writing poetry for Burma-Shave. Wimple says his wife had a wonderful time listening to the Louis-Nova fight on the radio "last night." His conversation with Fibber and Molly is interrupted by the sound of an automobile horn. His wife is waiting for him.

Teeny is the next angelic visitor to the McGee household.

After some discussion as to her age, Teeny admits to not being "five-and-a-half." Teeny says she's a Brownie . . . she went to a Girl Scout Camp . . . learned such things as giving artificial respiration. Fibber tells Teeny he went up to Alaska . . . and he's about to tell her about shooting that bear when Teeny announces . . . "I'm hungry."

Fibber agrees to help Molly take down the curtains . . . there's another knock on the door. This time it's the Old-Timer. He tells Fibber he went to Alaska and shot a bear. That just about steals Fibber's thunder. The Old-Timer's closing words to Fibber are . . . "Remind me to tell you, sometime, about Alaska."

As if he were a beaten man, Fibber asks Molly to sit beside him. "There's something I want to tell you," he says.

Molly: McGee . . . what is it? Don't look like that . . . you frightened me!

Fibber: Sit down, Molly. I want to tell you . . . about my trip to Alaska.

As he begins to talk about those rays of sun on Ketchikan Creek . . . the orchestra plays . . . the audience applauds . . . and Harlow Wilcox praises Johnson's Car-Nu auto polish. The orchestra plays a few more bars of a piece I cannot identify . . . then Fibber comes to the microphone:

Fibber: Ladies and gentlemen . . . Molly and I . . . and the Johnson Wax people, and me . . . of us . . . would like to take this occasion to wish Harold Peary every success with his new Sunday afternoon program "The Great Gildersleeve."

Molly: Yes . . . we'll miss him on Tuesday nights. But we're proud that our association was a stepping stone toward his own show.

Fibber: And if he's learned anything from me about the finer points of acting . . . and timing . . . and characterization . . . Molly: It would be a miracle!

Fibber: Yes . . . hi-hi! Goodnight.

Molly: Good night, all.

Orchestra: Curtain music . . .

And then the orchestra segued into the theme for the program. Would you believe me when I say that I don't recall ever seeing the title of the theme? Do you know what it was? I'd appreciate knowing, for it was one of those trademarks which became such a familiar piece of music and which always signalled the beginning of a terrific half-hour of comedy on Tuesday nights on NBC.

Since we have previously devoted a full installment to the Fibber McGee and Molly program (April, 1974) in HOBBIES, let's get back to old Throckmorton P., the "Great Gildersleeve."

His own series on NBC began August 31, 1941, and continued on, as Jack Mueller advised us, into the late Forties. Frank Buxton, in his "The Big Broadcast" (coauthored with Bill Owen and published by The Viking Press, 1972) refers to the "Honest Harold" program as "The Hal Peary Show" with Honest Harold, a radio commentator (Hal Peary); Gloria, Harold's girl friend (Gloria Holliday); and advises that the show was first heard over CBS

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Sometimes queer things happen in the coin world. Once I was attending a local club auction. The auctioneer was offering a rare 1916 D dime for sale, holding it high in the air. A bidder came up to get a closer look of it, and the "D" fell off!

At a New York City convention, a collector brought me a beautiful 1916 D dime, gem uncirculated. It was mounted in one of those heavy plexiglas holders with four plastic bolts to hold it together. I asked if he would mind if I took it out and inspected the coin. He said OK, for he would like to buy it from the seller.

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Many years ago, there was a man in the Boston area who had a box of small silver "4's. It was said he used to grind off the last digit on silver dollars dated from 1800 through 1803, to make a rare 1804 out of them. Too bad for him they were easily identified due to the die varieties that appear on the dollars from 1800 through 1803, but not on the 1804.

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few words of the letter may also appear, as is the case with a Darwin I have, where the words "cause much difficulty," occur before: "Believe me my dear Sir, Your sincerely obliged Charles Darwin." One is tempted to speculate on what will cause much difficulty. The acceptance of evolution? Or paying the rent? Most autograph catalogs are rife with tantalizing fragments of the famous. It would have been far better if they had remained organic unities.

Early German romantic authors like Novalis, Friedrich Schlegel, et al, theorized that the world was unfinished and forever in a state of "becoming." All true literature, they argued, must therefore be fragmentary. Many of their works were deliberately designed as fragments and yet form part of their all-embracing, universal, vision.

Many contemporary figures, no longer capable of writing a coherent sentence, seek to mirror what they consider to be the atomized, fragmented, alienated, condition of modern man by producing fragments without general or particular relevance or meaning. Some, like Williams Burroughs, even go so far as to cut up at random the page-prints of their already disjointed prose.

The cut-up mentality is everywhere in evidence, not only in literature. In architecture and landscaping, esthetically, historically, and even economically valuable buildings are often razed or broken up and land is bulldozed by "developers" for what is often standardized and sterile yet economically more profitable construction.

There are many "Macs the Knife," and "Jacks the Ripper" abroad in the land. Among them, surgeons performing unnecessary operations, people obsessed with the length of boys' hair (i.e., more concerned with what's on their heads than with what's in them), and people constantly having at their lawns, despite the fuel energy consumption and air and noise pollution involved. There is a connection between the ecology movement and what I have been saying. Conservationists and ecology-minded people deplore the "chemical engineer" approach some members of the medico-scientific establishment have to the soil and to the human body. These short-term, short-sighted methods taken by the "engineers" (water fluoridation, DDT pushers and such), often do not take into account the total picture of cause and effect but concentrate instead on a particular, immediate aspect of a problem ignoring all ramifications and the ecological or biological context.

I hope to have shown that there is often a context in autographs, even when none is immediately apparent, and that when there is one, it should be respected.

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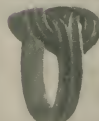
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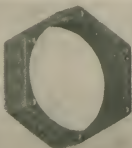
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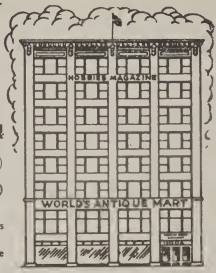
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It's taken a long time but we have finally come up with a Piano Bank that the writer has confidence in as being an authentic, original, mechanical bank—not the usual converted still bank. While at this point it should be further up in the listing, it is now No. 248 in the numerical classification.

The writer has suspected for years that the Piano was originally made both as a still bank and a mechanical bank. It has always been known as a very fine still bank when left in its original state, and it seems a shame that a number of them have been converted to mechanical banks. True, it has not been well done and is somewhat obvious, but why ruin a very good still bank by making it into a fake mechanical. Two reasons, to fool one's self or to obtain more money for the bank as an authentic mechanical. Not very good reasons to spoil a still bank of any kind, let alone the Piano.

Both the still and the mechanical were made by E. M. Roche Novelty Company, Newark, N. J. This information is cast in raised letters on the underside of the base of the mechanical pictured. Considerable time has been spent on research with respect to the company and the time period. So far, this has been fruitless. Also, no patent papers or old catalogs have been of any help as the writer has found neither one with any reference to the bank. We have not given up as yet and efforts will continue to try to establish definitive information. In any case, the bank has all evidence of being circa 1895 to 1915.

It is not necessary to get into any paint description of the Piano Bank since it is all nickel plated, as is the still. It is necessary to be able to differentiate between the converted still and the genuine mechanical. To

begin with, all converted banks seen over the years by the writer have the winding setup on the back of the bank and the musical works under the coin slot, which is in the top. The hole for the winding key, as well as the holes to hold the musical mechanism, are drilled, not cast, into the bank. The setup on the bank shown is quite different, as is the top casting. There is a definite raised cast section for the winding key on top of the bank. The coin slot is to the left in the top and cast this way.

Inside there are various cast lugs on the underside of the top to hold the music mechanism. Lugs are also cast to hold an operating lever that extends from the music unit to the underside of the coin slot. This operating lever activates the mechanism of the musical unit. The lever is spring held and when activated it releases the music unit to play through one time only and then automatically snaps into place stopping the music at the end of the piece. No screws or anything else show on the outside of the bank which would hold the musical unit, as is the case of the converted still bank. It is possible that a converted Piano could have a winding key on top instead of the back, but it would not be in the same fashion as the original described.

The bank shown is in extra nice original condition with the nickel plated finish in fine shape. It was found by that lucky Wally Tudor and is now in his great collection. Score one for Wally, because actually this comes under the heading of a "new find," and that is becoming more and more difficult as time goes on.

To operate the bank it is necessary, of course, first to wind the mechanical unit. Then a coin is pushed into the slot on top of the piano. This causes the inside lever to make about a quarter-turn activating the music element. It plays the piece through and is then ready for another coin.

The back of the piano contains a large, well-constructed coin trap-door having a combination lock and hinges made of brass. The two pedals on the bottom front are also brass. The inside lever is nickel plated brass, as is the winding key. The rest of the bank, other than the musical unit, is cast-iron with nickel finish.

The castings of the various parts of the piano are quite ornate showing a harp, violin, mandolin, horn, and so on. These appear on the top, both sides, and upper and lower part of the front. It is a well-detailed bank and the various musical instruments along with the other decorative effects are cast in rather heavy relief so that they are well defined.

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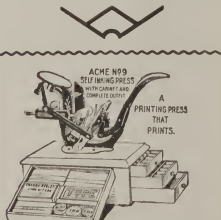
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Back to Jill:

She and her husband, Mort Werner, live in Hawaii. He, apparently, commutes to NBC-Hollywood where he serves as Vice-President.

After starting this manuscript, I received a note from Mr. Werner replying to my letter of February 15th. He expressed interest in the story on G.I. Jill and said he and his wife would both like to help me but that they do not have any of the original platters of the shows.

I shall stay in touch with the Werners for a follow-up to this manuscript. That's a promise.

To all those who remember the G.I. Jive series, I shall be most pleased to forward any comments you wish to make as you recall Jill and her juke-box. Where were you as you listened to her shows on the Armed Forces Service? I'd like to know. Many of our readers would, also, I'm sure.

My file on G.I. Jill contains an Associated Press story dated Dec. 6, 1966. Mrs. Werner speaks of her daughter, Jill. She said of her work on the series: "... it was the most important thing I've ever done in my life!"

She said most of her memorabilia of the "Jill" years was destroyed when fire hit their Hollywood home several years ago.

I understand she does have a few trinkets in a box in her home. They include a bracelet made of the broken window of a downed airplane and, among other items, a heart-shaped pendant inscribed: "To Jill from Lou, 1944."

Now . . . as promised in the foregoing, let's look "at the records."

BLUE SKIES, RCA 27566. Recorded July 15, 1941. Available in RCA Album "This Is Tommy Dorsey—Volume 2." (VPM 6064).

WHEN THEY ASK ABOUT YOU, Hit of 1944. Recorded in a Decca recording session with Ms. Forrest after she left the Harry James band. Sorry, I could find no label number for you, 1940s.

WINGING ON A STAR, Decca 18597. Hit of 1941 from the film, "Going My Way." Recorded 2/7/44. Available on "45 rpm" disc #27605.

EMBRACABLE YOU, Most likely recorded by Freddy Slack Orchestra on an early Capitol disc. (See biographical notes on Ms. Morse below.)

BULI, FROG JUMP, No information available on disc used by G.I. Jill.

BLUE LOT, Several recordings available. None of which disc Jill used.

KNOWED A KISS, RCA 1952. Could find no biographical information about Ms. James. Believe this was a Capitol disc since early King Cole Trio performances were recorded by Capitol early 1940s.

TIL BE SEEING YOU, 1944, Decca 45 rpm #24266. Recorded by Bing Crosby 2/17/44.

CEROCKIE, Probably King Records. (See biographical sketch below.)

STRIKELY INSTRUMENTAL, Columbia 36579. 1942.

DON'T FENCE ME IN, Decca 23364. Recorded 7/25/44. Available on 45 rpm disc #23484.

DO NOTHING 'TIL YOU HEAR FROM ME, Capitol 145. Recorded late 1943. **WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE**, Recorded Dec. 22, 1941. Available on RCA LP #VPM 6064.

TRUMPET BLUES, Columbia 36570. Recorded about mid-1942.

FLYING HOMER could be any one of several labels. The tune was recorded so many times by Lionel Hampton (Decca, Columbia, Victor) that he decided to use it for his own beginning in 1941. Could be Columbia 36721 and if so, the recording date would have been early 1944, or Decca 18594 (1942), or Victor 26995 (1940).

SOMEONE TO LOVE, CAPITOL 158. Recorded 1941.

HUCKLEBERRY DUCK, Columbia 35363. (late 1939 or early 1940.)

Now, for a few notes, biographically speaking.

HELEN FORREST, Voted Best Female Vocalist in Down Beat Reader's Poll, 1939, Atlantic City, N.J. Started on radio doing singing commercials. Then to CBS radio network in the program, *Blue Velvet Show* with Mark Warshaw's Orchestra. Then with Artie Shaw's band; later with Benny Goodman Orchestra and then Harry James and his *Music Makers*. After she left Harry James she recorded for Decca and MGM and made several motion pictures in Hollywood.

ELLA MAE MORSE, Born in Dallas, Texas. Began her career in radio over WRR, Dallas. Sang with local dance bands. Then to New York City where she sang with a smooch in Brooklyn. Then on to California (San Diego) where she met Freddie Slack and made the record that brought her instant fame: "Cow Cow Boogie." Capitol's first release (in 1942) with Freddie Slack's band. Three years before she was with Jimmy Dorsey's Orchestra. She dominated the HIT PARADE during the 1940s with "Mister Five by Five" and "The House of Blue Lights" along with "Cow Cow Boogie."

According to a 1964 United Press story, Ms. Morse—who began singing when she was 12 and who, by the time she was 17 had picked up seven gold records, was told to give up singing or face the possibility of cancer. The choice, said Ella, in this 1964 issue, wasn't hard to make. At that time, United Press said Ms. Morse was living in Reno, Ne.—the mother of two children, married to Jack Bradford, who was then operating an elevator in a casino in Reno.

TINY BRADSHAW, Although I have no data on her, she headed "Cherry Red" in 1940 when she was recording for King Records in the late 1940s. The 1954 edition (anniversary) of Down Beat magazine states that he "... is a rhythm-blues performer, starting in the 1920s. Bradshaw made his early reputation as a singer at the Roxy Ballroom and Cotton Club. With his band in the early 1950s he made an impact on the rhythm and blues market with his recording of "SOFT," an instrumental to which Henry Glover later added words."

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She appeared on radio as featured singer for Fibber McGee and Molly; with Costello and the Edgar Berger-Charlie McCarthy Program. She later recorded for Coral records. When Tommy Dorsey died in 1956, Connie joined the register of top-line performers in a nationally-televised tribute headed by Jackie Gleason on whose Saturday Night Show the Dorsey Brothers—Tommy and Jimmy—had appeared.

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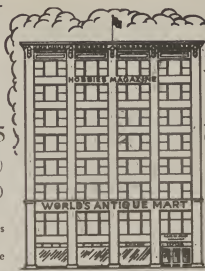
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Thrifty Animal Bank

By F. H. GRIFFITH



The Thrifty Animal Bank, our choice as No. 249 in the commercial classification is another of those border-line mechanicals. It very definitely is not a registering bank while it does share the automatic opening feature that some registering banks do have. It is necessary to use the number of dimes to fill all the acorns, and the tenth dime causes the releasing mechanism

to operate for removal of coins. This is similar action to the Safety Locomotive for example, and since the Thrifty Animal has been considered as a mechanical for years, it seems comfortable remaining as such.

The bank was made by the Buddy "L" Company of East Moline, Ill. It is pictured in color in one of their catalogs of the 1920's. Also pictured is the Buddy "L" Savings And Recording Bank. This bank recorded the amount of deposit in a small passbook and as such it is considered a registering bank, not a mechanical.

The Thrifty Animal is a unique bank as actually it is a still bank and a mechanical combined into one bank. That is to say, the coins saved are simply deposited into the back slot on top and are accumulated inside the bank. A round hole is provided for saving bills. Dimes only are used on the front slot to fill the acorns and open the bank. So in effect we have two separate savings sections or compartments. The mechanical aspect confined to the use of dimes as with the Safety Locomotive, but, unlike the Locomotive, a separate savings com-

partment for various coins. Rather interesting for a heavy tin or sheet iron type of bank.

The bank shown is in mint condition and was found in the original cardboard box. Colors on the bank are as follows: The bottom automatic opening base is red. The top, acorns, and border around the directions are in an orange-red. The background of the front, back and sides are an off-white. On the front the tree trunk and limbs are black with green foliage and the red acorns are outlined in black. The name Thrifty Animal Bank is off-white. The back of the bank shows two light red squirrels under a tree similar to the front, however, there are two large red acorns with no provision for holding coins. In other words, these two acorns do not have holes in them and are just part of the picture or decoration. The left side of the bank has a squirrel on top of some acorns (same colors) saying "Say," then black printing as follows: "Close up the hole in the acorn, you do it only nine times. Then when you put in the tenth one, it makes up a dollar in dimes." The right side has the directions printed in black: "1. Insert coins

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and bills in openings in top of bank. 2. To open bank insert nine dimes in dime slot. Tenth dime unlocks bank and bottom comes off. Tip lock-bar to remove dimes." On top along the large back slot appears: "All other coins." To the front of the top is the Buddy "L" trademark. Along the front top slot is the statement: "Dimes only." The following is stamped on the underside of the base: "Buddy 'L' Company, Quality Toys, East Moline, Ill." Then "Made in U. S. of America."

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The December 24, 1938 issue of Colliers carries a feature on Shirley Ross in the Quentin Reynolds profile captioned: "Hollywood Sweepstakes." (I do not have that periodical, but found the listing for you in "Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature" which, incidentally, lists my monthly contribution published in HOBBIES. A tip to the scholar.)

Author Kinkel lists the recordings of Shirley Ross as:

"Like Me a Little Bit Less," recorded with Gus Arnheim and His Orchestra on Brunswick 6729; "The Lady's in Love with You" and "Penthouse Serenade" as well as "Thanks for the Memory" and "Two Sleepy People" both with Bob Hope. The former are featured on Decca recording 2568.

Mr. Kinkel lists three other Decca recordings by Shirley Ross. They are: "That Certain Feeling" and "Mine" on Decca 2878; "It Never Entered My Mind" and "Nothing But You" on Decca 3066; "Every Sunday Afternoon" and "From Another World" on Decca 3067.

And to think I have nary a one of these. Who would like to assist me in my search?

I found Miss Ross "doing her thing" singing "Thanks for the Memory" on a number of radio shows during the time of the release of that Paramount film mentioned in the opening paragraphs of this manuscript.

As a matter of fact if you read Herb Sanford's "TOMMY AND JIMMY: THE DORSEY YEARS" (1972 Arlington House) you will find a complete account of the Tommy Dorsey "Raleigh-Kool" broadcast of July 20, 1938 on which Shirley Ross joins Jack Benny, Dick Powell, Ken Murray, Bing Crosby and the Dorsey Orchestra as they participate in Tommy's Amateur Swing Contest. Photographs accompanying Mr. Sanford's chapter 16 show Jack Benny on violin; Dick Powell, trumpet; Ken Murray, clarinet; Bing Crosby, drums; and Shirley Ross, piano. Do you question whether they had fun? They did. I've just listened to my tape of that Broadcast. Shirley's number for the contest was "Thanks for the Memory."

Author Sanford says: "We'd heard that Shirley had played piano when she was at UCLA and we were told she was better than ever. Shirley was invited and she said she would love it."

After individual selections by the guest-stars, Sanford said, "we closed with a jam session, all five playing 'When You and I Were Young, Maggie,' with Tommy and the band. It was terrible. The audience howled with delight. Over the applause, Bing was heard to holler, 'Hey, Tommy, you better tell that man from Metro-nome to take back the award.'"

I've just found my tape #586 con-

taining that historical show (Hysterical?) and here's the Shirley Ross segment.

M.C.: The next contestant is a young lady, a young lady who plays the piano. She tells me that her name is Ross. Is that right?

SHIRLEY: Shirley Ross.

M.C.: Shirley Ross. (To her) You'll have to speak a little louder. Do you go to school, Shirley?

SHIRLEY: (shouting) I used to go to UCLA! M.C.: That's for you. Tell me what's your favorite pastime? Wait, let's go back.

SHIRLEY: Oh, no. I like the way we were singing.

M.C.: Why did you leave UCLA?

SHIRLEY: Well, you see, they wouldn't let me play the piano for the senior class club.

M.C.: Oh, really? Well, why was that, Shirley?

SHIRLEY: Oh, I think it's awfully silly, but they caught me awingin' on 'Trees'.

M.C.: Tell me, what's your favorite pastime? (Note: You can see from the double entry that the master of ceremonies DID become mixed up in reading his lines — L.D.)

SHIRLEY: Oh, I like to make movies!

M.C.: You do, eh? Well, I have one of those snap-throw cameras, myself, and I love to make.

SHIRLEY: No. We make full-length pictures.

M.C.: Well, I just can't get my camera to work right.

SHIRLEY: You ought to see the make-up I

SHIRLEY: ... to put on.

M.C.: Oh, yeah? Well, we just take our stuff the way we are, you know. But, tell me, do you have stories with titles and everything?

SHIRLEY: Sure ... there's "Prison Farm."

That's playing right now in two weeks I start "Thanks for the Memory."

M.C.: Oh that was a beautiful song. There was a girl who sang it. What was her name?

I can't remember.

SHIRLEY: Well, I don't like to.

M.C.: Well, just a minute, just a minute.

I'll get it. I'll get it.

SHIRLEY: Well, if you MUST know.

M.C.: Please Shirley, I can see her right in front of me and can't think of her name.

TOMMY DORSEY: Look, Paul, this is Shirley Ross. And she sang "Thanks for the Memory" in the "Big Broadcast."

M.C.: No, Tommy, don't tell me. (he finally gets the message) (shouts:) Hey, fellow, look at me! I'm talking to a real pitcher-star! Hey fellow, look at me! Hey, I'm talking to a pitcher-star!

TOMMY: Don't mind him, Shirley. He's studying in to one of the Dead End Kids! (Shirley and Tommy laugh) What are you going to play, Shirley?

SHIRLEY: Well, I'm going to TRY "Thanks for the Memory."

TOMMY: It's yours for the asking.

ORCHESTRA: SHIRLEY: (They play "Thanks for the Memory.")

AUDIENCE: (Applause)

M.C.: Now, you, thank you, Shirley Ross. (He then introduces Jack Benny.)

I've just re-read Mr. Sanford's Chapter 14 of TOMMY & JIMMY: THE DORSEY YEARS and now know that the master of ceremonies, exchanging lines with Tommy Dorsey on that "Raleigh-Kool" show of July 20, 1938 is Paul Stewart who, Mr. Sanford says "... was then one of the Mercury Theatre actors with Orson Welles and a leading radio performer."

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Page 115 of Mr. Sanford's book shows Edgar Bergen playing chimes, Miss Ross singing, Jack Benny with his violin and Tommy Dorsey playing Trombone. This was not the same broadcast.

A Hollywood-style photograph of Miss Ross appears on page 133 — the full page — with the glamorous Shirley Ross dressed in an attractive sheer gown cinched at the waist by a wide belt and matching necklace. The inscription is to author Herb Sanford: "To Herb. 'Thanks for the Memory' of a swell jam session and of making

such a fine friend. Sincerely, Shirley Ross."

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So they beat against the State House,
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Till the quiet street of Chestnut
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"What of Adams?" "What of Sherman?"
"Oh God grant they won't refuse!"
"Make some way there!" "Let me nearer!"
When a nation's life is at hazard,
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So they surged against the State House
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Whilst the boy cries joyously;
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Ring! oh, ring for Liberty!"
Quickly, at the given signal
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Forth he sends the good news, making
Iron music through the land.

How they shouted! What rejoicing!
How the old bell shook the air,
Till the clang of freedom ruffled,
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And from the flames, like fabled Phoenix
Our glorious liberty arose!

That old State House bell is silent,
Hushed is now its clamorous tongue;
But the spirit is awakened.
Still is living — ever young;
And when we greet the smiling sunlight
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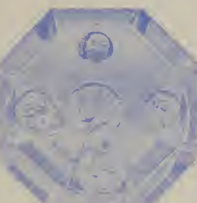
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SNAP IT BANK

- Trick Savings Bank -

Type I and Type II

By F. H. GRIFFITH

Not too often, but now and then, we run into a mechanical bank about which there just isn't too much to be said. It is usually a very simple type mechanical with very little action. Well, at this point we are faced with not one, but three mechanicals that come into this category. Numerically classified, they are Snap It Bank, No. 250—Trick Savings Bank, Type I, No. 251—Trick Savings Bank, Type II, No. 252.

The Snap It Bank, Figure 1, is cast iron with an overall japanned type finish. It's sort of a nice little building type bank with a pivot drawer in the top front. The knob of the drawer is pulled and when open it is held in position by a small locking lever under the drawer. Place a coin on the drawer, push the locking lever, and the drawer snaps shut depositing the coin inside the bank. It is pictured in several trade catalogs of the 1885 to 1890 period, along with a number of H. L. Judd banks, and we are reasonably sure it too was made by Judd.

The Trick Savings Banks are wood with tin front facing on the drawers. They are pictured Type I (end drawer), Figure 2, and Type II (front drawer), Figure 3. The operation of each is the same, pull the wooden drawer open and a round recessed section is exposed. Place the coin in the round section and close drawer. On re-opening the drawer, the coin has disappeared. The drawer has a trick bottom pivoted at the front that allows the coin to slide into the bank. To remove coins, turn the bank upside down which allows a drop pin in the back of the drawer to release the drawer from the bank. Coins are shaken out from the drawer space and then the drawer replaced with drop pin in position.

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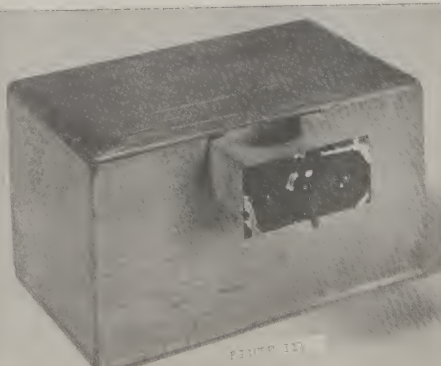
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—G. P., Maine

Answer:

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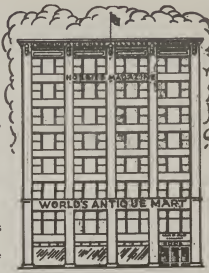
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THE WIRELESS BANK

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chanical banks are concerned. It is a well made attractive bank type of building constructed of cast iron, tin, wood, copper, and incorporates the use of a coil magnet and a D size battery.

The inventor of this rather complicated bank was Christian Berger of New York City, and he assigned his patent to Frederick I. Sawyer of Evanston, Ill. The patent is dated January 5, 1926 and consists of four drawings of the bank with three pages of text. The drawings are identical to the bank as manufactured, even showing the name 'Wireless Bank'. The text is unusually detailed and explicit, covering the bank from all angles. Initially, Mr. Berger states in the patent that 'A purpose of the invention is to afford an operable depositing device by which the coin may be thrown, flipped, released or otherwise deposited in the receptacle in a novel and effective manner'.

A particular purpose is to bring about the depositing action by control from a distance, for example by

wave control, sound waves being herein shown as a suitable embodiment of the invention. Mr. Berger further covered an important point with respect to the circuit: 'Before further describing the circuit I will state that I prefer to include in the circuit the magnet core and the depositor flap so that the circuit will be broken and current saved except when the depositor has been set in contact with the magnet, and this arrangement further renders the apparatus more sensitive and reliable.' This, of course, covered the possibility of a battery being left in the bank for a length of time with no drain of current from the battery taking place. Irrespective of this, it is not a good idea to leave a battery in the bank for any long period of time.

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In addition to writing for noteworthy periodicals, he authored four books on coins. His latest, "American Guide to U.S. Coins," has been advertised in the pages of HOBBIES in many consecutive issues. His only child, Mrs. Arline Wenzler, of Quen-tin, Pa., will continue its distribution.

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Charles French had 109 coin auctions to his credit. His knowledge of the coin auction market equaled his vast knowledge of the coin field, and he was known far and wide. The "science" of the field, seemed much more important to him, HOBBIES Magazine has observed through the years, than monetary gains.

Mr. French belonged to some of the larger numismatic associations, which included the American Numismatic Association, the Empire State Numismatic Association, and the Mid-Atlantic Numismatic Association. In all of these societies he served officer-ships, long and devotedly.

He gave freely of his vast knowledge of coins and their history to all. His monthly "Coin Quiz" department in HOBBIES had many followers. Installments of this helpful department remain, thanks to his selfless diligence, and these will be published posthumously for the next few months.

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was to curb further excursion into the new and unexplored. Lucy had long since come to realize this and had comparably learned that any tightly held rein would never keep her husband in check. The call of distant areas was still a plangent one—and now he had two sons to help him transcribe, artistically and financially, his continued success. The Upper Missouri River and the Yellowstone Country begged to be undertaken and it took place in 1843. By 1844, a reduced popular octavo edition of his "Birds" was also sent on its way.

This last expedition west of the Mississippi for eight months was specifically intended to fill out the lacunae in his since started but not completed "The Viviparous Quadrupeds of North America." In this attempt he had the very good fortune to have as his collaborator the able Rev. John Bachman and the already mentioned accompaniment of Victor and John, the latter becoming an excellent artist in his own right. Bachman wrote the text and the drawings were done by Audubon and his sons. Because of his severely failing sight, we find that of the 150 colored plates in the 1st Edition Imperial Folio, 76 stemmed from "J.J.'s" brush and 74 from Johnny, assisted by his older brother Victor.

The first Edition of three volumes has been published in 1845-48 by J. T. Bowen of Philadelphia. The first one of text came out in 1846. The final volume of text was completed in 1852 by Victor after his father's death at the age of 69 in 1851. The "Quadrupeds," although possibly not as aesthetically appealing as the "Birds," and undoubtedly not as handsomely as his first love, it, nonetheless, received a recognition near and far as the best thing yet of its type. The 3-volume set cost \$300. A gracious imprimator found that our government in 1857 purchased for \$16,000, 100 copies of each work to be presented to foreign countries in return for valuable gifts made to the United States. "What better proof for a mission well accomplished?"

Now, "J.J." had frequently boasted that he had painted every plate of his "Birds" personally from actual life study. There remains some controversy on this score, but no such claim was put forward for his "Quadrupeds." In both, without equivocation, the naturalist-artist captures life and movement of his subjects in actual size, quite a change from the prevailing pattern of the usually stiff and conventional modeling. It is extremely doubtful that without the continuing admonition, guidance, and concern of Bachman that the "Animals" would have emerged so well or on time as such ultimately came to be. Audubon over the years was generally very fortunate in his choice of close friends and associates, more so in his later life than earlier. It beggars no imagination, therefore, that he can say, "... the only real happiness is a



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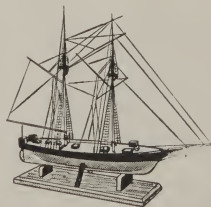
good marriage," and say it while all the while straining such fabric to its utmost by insisting upon living his life through enjoying all five senses to their fullest.

In closing, Audubon emerged as a genius and a real original. From whence such genetic spark, therefore? Allusion has already been made to a Bourbon, rather than an Audubonian start. To prove it or disprove really matters little. The man's work and worth is the prime concern and has since been amply attested to. Detractors generally rely on personal villification, especially when criticism of ability proffers small rejoinder. The aspersions cast upon his "illegitimacy and the vagueness attached to his early life may well have accounted for "J.J.'s" counter-ploy of a high-born background. And yet, there is a hanging-together quality of the possibility which refuses to go away. For instance, the spontaneity of Lucy's utterance when her Johnny was laid low only a few years after her husband's demise. "My son! My son! To think that you should have died without knowing the secret of your father's life!" Hardly a structured or diligently programmed gambit surely? Particularly when immediately passed off as irrelevant when an undue attention was granted to it? La Vendee, the province in France where Audubon spent his boyhood and the young Dauphin presumably escaped to, his locale has much to answer for.

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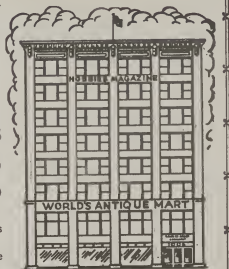
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It looks as though, with the help of the observant Sy Schreckinger, the mystery of the clown bust bank Humpty Dumpty being so named has been solved. For some years the writer has wondered why a clown bust would be called by a name that has reference to an egg shaped figure having no resemblance to a clown. Fortunate timing on the part of Sy in looking around an antique shop shed light on this whole situation with his finding the engraving of G. L. Fox as Humpty Dumpty.

It seems that Fox was one of the more gifted performers of the 19th century and in his time he was known as the greatest pantomime clown since Grimaldi. On March 10, 1868, he opened in a show in New York City which ran for 483 performances. The show was called Humpty Dumpty and Fox produced the show as well as being its star performer. It seems he was the only performer with enough box office power to keep the art of pantomime alive against the more appealing burlesque. The show Humpty Dumpty brought Fox the supreme success of his career, outdrawing and outplaying anything ever presented before its time, shattering all previous long run records.

The show, insofar as the title goes, had little relationship to Mother Goose or Humpty Dumpty and no real plot in that direction. Apparently certain characters involved marked time until the Fairy Queen transformed Goodie Two Shoes into Columbine, Tommy Tucker into Harlequin, and Humpty Dumpty became Clown. This then led into a variety and spectacle show with roller skaters, circus acts, and



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singers. The show Humpty Dumpty ran in New York until about 1873 with Fox starring in the role the entire time. He was suddenly institutionalized and died within a few months. It seems that pantomime in its finer form died with Fox and fell into obscurity for years to come.

That's the story of Fox in rather brief form. One can note the photo copy of the engraving of Fox in make-up and the marked similarity between it and the Humpty Dumpty Bank. There would seem to be no question but that the Humpty Dumpty Bank is an effigy or representation of Fox, and this of course, not only enhances the bank but also puts it into an unusual and very limited group of me-

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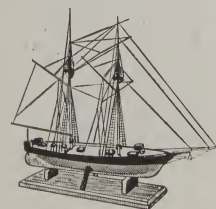
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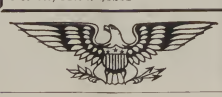
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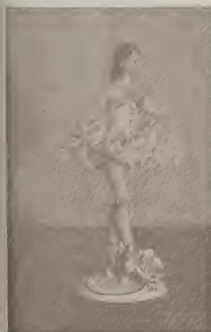
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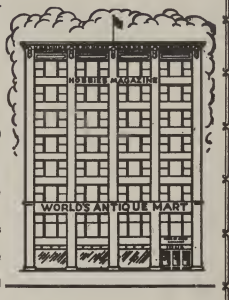
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MECHANICAL BANK RAMBLINGS

By F. H. GRIFFITH

It's been a long time since we have had mechanical bank ramblings and a number of people have inquired "how come?" This, including a recent inquiry on ramblings from our good friends in Paris, Nicole and Emmanuel Rodrique, so anyway here it is and here we go.

* * *

A very important find of one of the quite rare banks, as yet not seen by the writer, is the Jonah And Whale (Jonah Emerges From Whale's Mouth). We understand the underside coin container box, which also supports the bank, is missing. We also understand there is some question as to the paint and its originality. Please note the writer has not seen this bank as yet and, therefore, cannot pass judgment, other than the fact it is another example of this rare bank and not a known Jonah Emerges sold or traded from one of the large collections.

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Another Magie Bank has turned up in fine all original mint condition. This is a tough tin bank to obtain with exceptionally good action completely similar to that of the Magician. Like some of the other tin banks, it is rather fragile and can get out of order rather easily unless handled properly and carefully. This is part of the reason it's a difficult mechanical to come by.

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There is a new find in a tin Tiger Bank. It is quite similar in makeup and operation to the British Lion (Tin) and undoubtedly both were manufactured by the same German concern. The Tiger would seem to be in the same period as the Lion, and more about it at another time.

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Some talk concerns the possibility of the recent find of an original Uncle these years and why one has not Sam Bust Bank. Also an original cat-



Bobby in Tower Bank

alog showing the bank. Up to now all examples of the Uncle Sam Bust seen by the writer over the years have been fakes or recasts from a possible original bank. We say "possible original" since such may exist, however, the writer has never seen this or any other original example to date. If and when he does, readers will be advised.

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Of particular recent interest is the discovery of a Lehmann mechanical bank. Where this bank has been all

turned up before now is a real mystery, but that's the way it goes with the mechanicals and it's another intriguing aspect in collecting them. Most everybody familiar with cast iron toys and mechanical banks is aware of the fact that the German made Lehmann tin toys have increased in value considerably over the last few years. It wasn't too long ago that they were considered just a routine foreign made tin toy. Not so now, and possibly this increased interest and value had something to do with the discovery of the Bobby In Tower Bank. It's an interesting, rather small bank with the figure of an English policeman holding a British flag in his hands. He is inside the top open section of the tower. On depositing a coin in the provided slot in the top, the flag is caused to go up and then drop back down of its own accord. Various pictures of well known structures in London are depicted on the sides of the tower. It is a well made sturdy little bank and the German patent covering it is dated July 12, 1925 and issued to Ernst Paul Lehmann. The only part of the bank that is not too sturdy is the quite small British flag held by the policeman. It is a cloth-like material held in place by a clamped over part representing the flag holder. Believe it or not, one of these banks turned up, then another, then another, and to date there are four, possibly five, known to exist. We will probably do more on the bank at a later date, however, at this time we will classify the bank as No. 254 in the numerical classification.

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TOYS and BANKS

By F. H. GRIFFITH

There's been a lot of activity lately in banks and toys, and that's for sure. An exceptionally good toys and banks type of affair was held in the International Hotel Ballroom at Kennedy International Airport in September. It was well attended with lots of activity and a broad general line of toys including banks, both still and mechanical. It was really something to see so many old toys on display for sale by so many table exhibitors and upon first entering the place it was sort of overwhelming, but after not too long this feeling sort of dissipated itself and one could get down to the business at hand.

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Sure goes to show that anything can happen—who would ever imagine John Haley from England with, among other things, Mickey Mouse items for sale — Mickey Mouse has really arrived since John doesn't fool around and he had some nice toys as well as banks for sale.

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Our good friends Audrey and Marty Wank had a fine display including some of the up and coming battery operated type toys. Keep your eyes on this kind of toy, they are a real coming collector's item. The Wanks get into the 30's, 40's, and 50's toys and an occasional bank. A lot of their things are obtainable in the original boxes. While original boxes in themselves seem important to certain collectors, it's what is in the box that counts where the writer is concerned. Usually a toy in the original box is in mint condition and that's where the importance lies.

Don Beck from Fort Wayne had a particularly nice group of toys and he has a way of coming up with a real 'goodie' now and then, and, of course, he really does get into some fine collector's item along with banks and toys. He too has the 'bug' for some of the 20's on type tin toys, including Strauss, Lehmann, Marx, and the like.

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Old Mechanical Banks

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Lloyd Ralston was in attendance and in all his glory and right at home. He's particularly active in toys and knows when to spot a good one — he works at it and gets results. Understand Lee Perelman and Don Markey were also there, but the writer missed them. Don't forget Lee has that fine toy museum in Philadelphia and it will be a big 'thing' in 1976 for the Bicentennial.

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Joe Olympio had a representative table of toys, so he is right in there and keeping abreast of this specialized collecting field. Then, too, Van Dexter of Second Childhood, New York City, had his eyes open and pointed out a couple of items to the writer that he thought might be of interest. The Werbell's were there with a sizeable display of still banks. They, as well as other exhibitors, had mechanical banks for sale.

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All in all it was a most interesting affair, well worth attending, and it is to be held again in May of 1976. The writer found several rather nice pieces and exposure to so many old toys was certainly encouraging. There were fine trains, electric, windup and pull type. Some fine cast iron toys, including carriages, bell toys Hubley circus band wagon (small size), Hubley calliope, and even a mint condition rear end of the Farmer Van. A wide selection of tin windups of the 20's through the 40's. Mickey Mouse all over the place. Then, of course, battery operated toys of the late 40's into the 60's. These, by the way, are generally figures that go through different movements and motions. For example, one for sale by the Wank's was the figure of a clown working a puppet figure of Pinocchio, a really great battery operated toy, and it found a good home.

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To sum up this show, there was pretty much for everyone with interest in the field of collecting toys.

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The Mechanical Bank Collector's Club held a convention in Connecticut in September. The writer was unable to attend, however, he kept current on some of the activities. A Motor Bank with extra nice paint showed up minus the top and coin trap, a particularly fine original condition Afghanistan Bank changed hands, and, of course, there were some private deals consummated, including a different type of tin clown face bank and tin negro face. While they each look different, they are the same stamping and not certain as to age. An unusual vending pinball tin bank was most interesting and comes under the category of a new find in a pre 1935 bank.

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Most likely the two rarest banks were brought to the convention by Nicole and Emmanuel Rodrique of Paris, France. They had available for trade only the Bonzo Bank and rare Harold Lloyd, each in extra fine original condition. These are German made tin banks of considerable interest and quite attractive. Full details about them later on. For now, Bonzo, an English cartoon character, is comparable to Mickey Mouse in the United States, the time period of late 1920's, early 1930's. Harold Lloyd is Harold Lloyd in his younger days, and also 1920, early 1930's. Two very desirable mechanicals.

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And to wind all this up at this point, while not at the convention or the toy show, a Merry Go Round Bank turned up. With the exception of the small figure of the man, it is in extra fine all original condition with very nice paint. This is one of the top desirable rarities in a mechanical bank and they turn up few and far between.



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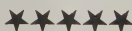
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